Const. (Driver) on 19.3.89 was being harassed. During the course of enquiry it came to light that a case FIR No. 81/93 u/s 406/498-A/306 IPC had already been registered at Police Station Sohna, Haryana, and as such no action was called and the complaint was filed on 29.8.1993.

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(1) A complaint of Smt. Merry Helan © Misha r/o T.C. 33/338, Vettucaud, Trivendrum, 21, has been received in Crime (Women) Cell on 6.7.94 against her husband, Constable (Driver) M. Devadas © M.D. Das. The enquiry has been entrusted to Inspector Shobha Chabra of Crime (Women) Cell, Nanakpura.

Joint co-ordinating force in north-eastern states

2950. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFARIS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that all the seven North-Eastern States have strongly opposed the Centre's decision to set up Joint Co-ordinating Force;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what is the reaction of the Central Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) to (c) No, Sir. There is no proposal for setting up a Joint Co-ordinating Force for the North-Easthern States. However, the existing mechanism for sharing of information and co-ordination of counter insurgency operations is being strengthened.

Pakistan's new strategy of sponsorship terrorism in Kashmir

2951. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: SHRI AHMED MOHMEDBHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistan has effected a major shift in its strategy of sponsorship terrorism in Kashmir by seting up a separate combined Unit of foreign terrorists in Kashmir;

(b) if so, whether this new group comprise purely foreigners with logistical and intelligence support from Hizbul Mujahideen;

(c) if so, whether Pakistan during the last two months i.e. May and June has been making all sorts of efforts to destabilise the Kashmir situation by sending foreign nationals to Kashmir and also continue firing in major border areas in Jammu and Kashmir; and

(d) what measures have been taken by Government to check and frustrate the Pakistani moves?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (d) Pakistan is continuing its policy of *supporting terrorism and subversion in* J & K. For this purpose it is also increaisngly taking resort to infiltration of armed and trained mercenaries and foreigners, including its own nationals. Some foreign nationals/terrorist organisations based in other countries are also reportedly being abetted by Pak ISI in supporting terrorist and subversive activities in the State with a view to creating destabilisation, continuing violence and preventing restoration of normalcy and the democratic process.

Government have strongly urged Pakistan on several occasions and at various levels to stop its support to subversion and terrorism. Government have also apprised the international community of the dangers inherent in the support extended by Pakistan to terrorism. At operational level also, the Government have intensified its anti-militancy operations by resorting to measures like increased patrolling, establishment of additional pickets and

checkposts and intensification of combing and cordoning off operations against terrorists.

Hartal in the valley

2952. SHRI JAGMOHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many times call for "hartal" in the valley as given by the 'All Party Hurriat Conference' or one militant outfit or the other, during the last three months (May, June and July, 1994); and

(b) what was the ground/reason given for such 'hartals/strikes'?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) As per information made available by the State Government call for hartal was given by APHC or other militant outfits 20 times during May, June and July, 1994. Generally the calls were given with reference to alleged excesses by the security forces; and sometimes on other specific issues for example the assassination of Dr. Qasi Nissar.

Prosecution of militants in connection with Hazratbal incident

2953. SHRI JAGMOHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of militants surrendered and arrested when the Hazratbal incident of October/ November, 1993 ended;

(b) under what provisions of law these militants were booked and are being prosecuted;

(c) whether it is a fact that some of those surrendered are now not traceable and have not reported to the investigating agencies or the courts; and

(d) by when the trial of the 'traceable' militants is likely to begin?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (d) As per information made available by the Government of J & K, 62 persons came out of the Hazrat Bal Shrine and surrendered before the security forces on 16.11.1993. After initial screening, 35 persons were released on 18.11.93. Action as per law was initiated against the remaining persons. Two persons were convicted and awarded punishment by the Court for the period they had remained in custody. The others are on bail in pursuance of orders of the competent Court. Cases under TADA stand registered against them. There are no reports of any persons out of these being untraceable. No specific time can be indicated about commencement of the trial.

National Police Commission

2954. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFARIS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have forwarded the recommendations contained in the Reports of the National Police Commission (NPC) to the State Governments and has asked them to consider the Commission's recommendations and take an appropriate action;

(b) if so, what are the details of instructions or guidelines sent by the Government to the State Governments in this regard;

(c) whether Government have received any report from the State Governments about the action taken by them on the recommendation of the National Police Commission;

(d) if so, what are the details of the reports received from each State Government; and